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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Richard C. Boucher, Jr.  
Serial No.: 09/465,429  
Filed: December 21, 1999  
For: COMPOUNDS AND METHODS FOR  
THE TREATMENT OF AIRWAY DISEASES  
AND FOR THE DELIVERY OF AIRWAY DRUGS

Examiner: S. Wang  
Group: 1617

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO**  
**RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED MARCH 23, 2001**

Dear Sir or Madam:

This response is submitted in reply to the Official Action dated March 23, 2001 ("the Action"). In the Action, the Examiner required a restriction for:

- Group I. Claims 1-21, drawn to a method for treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, classified in class 514, subclass 23, 724;
- Group II. Claims 22-29, drawn to a method of administering an active agent to an airway surface, classified in class 514, subclass 23, 724;
- Group III. Claim 30, drawn to a method for lavage of a lung of a patient in need, classified in class 514, subclass 23, 724.

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the following named claims:

Group II. Claims 22-29, drawn to a method of administering an active agent to an airway surface, classified in class 514, subclass 23, 724.